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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: A National Broadband Plan for Our Future, GN Docket No. 09-51;
Ex Parte

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 16, 2009, Mark Coblitz, Bret Perkins, and I, all representing Comcast Corporation ("Comcast"), met with Nick Sinai and Charles Worthington of the Omnibus Broadband Initiative team to discuss the role of Smart Grid applications and services in the National Broadband Plan.

In the meeting, we emphasized that existing communications providers such as Comcast already have the facilities and the customer relationships necessary to facilitate the widespread deployment and adoption of Smart Grid applications and services. We noted that Comcast is well positioned to deliver Smart Grid applications and services to meet the needs of both consumers and electric utilities.

We also briefly discussed the Smart Grid trials Comcast has engaged in and the consumer interest in Smart Grid applications and services. We shared our view that, as a stand-alone product, the types of home energy management applications and services commonly associated with Smart Grid technologies likely will not yield significant savings to individual consumers in their utility bills. Rather, we expect consumers will value these applications and services more when they are paired with other communications services. Accordingly, the Commission should work with other agencies, including the Department of Energy and the National Institute of Standards and Technology, to encourage the development of open standards for Smart Grid applications and services so that consumers and utilities can realize the efficiencies that can be gained by using existing communications networks.

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If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

/s/ David M. Don

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